

NBA FINALS

The show is yet to come, they hope

So far, it's been Sputter vs. Fatigue rather than the East's Beast vs. the West's Best.

By Mike Nadel
AP sports writer

PORLAND, Ore. — Air vs. Glide. Beast of the East vs. Best in the West. Defending champs vs. talented challengers. The players and teams everyone wanted to see in the NBA Finals.

Yet here they are, the Chicago Bulls and Portland Trail Blazers, exchanging airballs and turnovers, sputtering and slopping their way to a series tie heading into tonight's Game 5.

These are the two best teams in basketball?

"You talk about the athletes on the floor, Michael Jordan and Clyde Drexler, you expect to see some high-flying stuff," Portland coach Rick Adelman said Thursday. "But both teams' success really depends on how well we defend. We take away the things each other does well."

"Both teams have great defenses. That's why we're here. It is more of a counter-punching, half-court situation."

Coaches and players say both teams haven't played their best.

Believe them.

"It was an exhibition of ineptitude that both teams played," Chicago coach Phil Jackson said, explaining a series of fourth-quarter turnovers and botched layups in Portland's 93-88 victory Wednesday.

The Bulls are mad because they've blown two fourth-quarter leads. The Blazers are upset that the Bulls give them so little credit



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for Olympic berths.

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Shannon Miller didn't sit idly and watch TV after she dislocated an elbow early this

19-year-old gymnast continued her goal of making the team.

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upset that the Bulls give them so little credit.
"We've been in control of every game, but we've made some mental mistakes that have cost us," said Scottie Pippen, one of Chicago's most mistake-prone players. "We had them on the ropes in Game 2 and Game 4. It's just a matter of going out and playing better overall."

Adelman is amused by the Bulls' self-pity.

"As far as I know, they haven't changed the rules for the Finals," he said. "The games are still 48 minutes long. If the Bulls only play for 42, that's not our problem."

"They think they should have won the series already. But if they wanted to be 4-0 and celebrating and dancing on someone's graves, they should have won those two games."

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Prep rodeo championships

Cade George of the Bear River rodeo club looks for the runway as he comes in for a landing after being tossed by a bull Thursday during preliminaries at the Utah State High School Rodeo Association state championships at the Wasatch County Fairgrounds in Heber.

The rodeo continues at 7 p.m. tonight with the championship finals Saturday also at 7. The top four in each event qualify for the national championships at Shawnee, Okla., July 20-26. There are 435 entrants in this year's prep championships, and the UHSRA has 835

members, up from 680 of last year, says association secretary Lynda Norris. Thirty-seven states and three Canadian provinces participate in the nationals; this season, Utah provided one-fourth of the new national members. See results on Scoreboard, D3.

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The Trail Blazers have won two of the last three games despite playing well offensively for only a few stretches.

Their victories were not pretty. Neither was Chicago's win in Game 3.

This series features two teams that do nothing easily.

The Bulls rolled through the playoffs last season with only two losses. They have had at least two defeats in each of their last three rounds this postseason.

"It's never easy," said Jordan, who has blamed late-game fatigue for his failure in the clutch in Games 2 and 4. "Any time you lose and you feel you should have won, you're going to stay up late thinking about things you should have done or could have done. I'm tired mentally and physically."

The Trail Blazers have a penchant for getting off to terrible starts. Sometimes they rally. Sometimes they don't. In Game 4, they were down by 10 before they scored their first point, trailed by

as many as 13 and were still losing by seven with less than nine minutes to play.

"Boy, if they say it's not easy, they ought to take a joyride in our vehicle," Portland's Terry Porter said. "We seem to make things tough on ourselves all the time. In that way, it's the same for both teams."

Jordan said the Bulls face the extra burden of having to defend their title. Thursday, he brought back the dreaded "C-word" — complacency — which had been used often during their early round struggles but hadn't been uttered since the Finals started.

"The complacency sets in. It's there. It's evident. We've been fighting it all season," he said. "The attitude's not the same as last year. We tasted success, and the intensity's not there at the same level."

"Last year, we understood the challenge we were faced with. Here, we understand but we tend to forget . . . the hunger that the other team has."

Portland's Jerome Kersey said the Trail Blazers wanted Game 4 more than the Bulls did, a fact Jor-

dan didn't dispute.

"They played like it," he said. "But if they did want it more, that's very disappointing."

So Jackson and Jordan have teamed up to challenge their team to play better. The coach and the leader want the Bulls to get mad. If there's one thing the Bulls have done well is respond to adversity — they have yet to lose two playoff games in a row.

"The home crowd will be trying to inspire them, so we have to inspire ourselves," Jordan said. "It's ours to win. We control our own destiny. I don't think they control it."

They — the Trail Blazers — believe they have two more wins in them. Pretty or ugly, it doesn't matter how they get them.

And don't tell them that their first two wins were gifts from the benevolent, complacent, tired Chicago Bulls.

"They've done a lot of talking; I choose not to talk so much," Adelman said. "They're a very good team. But we have a pretty fair team, too. We've got two wins because we've earned them. We'll play hard to earn another."



He slides into second base.

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ted from being a starter to Ryan Harvey was sidelined, pitched 2 2/3 innings for a save.

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likely changing or selling the team. Vincent said during a news conference that concluded the owners' quarterly meetings that the Giants met his criteria for a club that could gain permission to move, but cautioned there was a distinction between that and a go-ahead to relocate.

"Mr. Lurie is now free to consider all range of options available to that ballclub," Vincent said.

"I basically told them the same thing I said in my letter to Mayor (Frank) Jordan last week," Lurie said. "The Giants must now begin looking at all of our options for the future, and time is of the essence."

The Giants, who moved to San Francisco from New York following the 1957 season, say they must leave Candlestick Park.

Voters in San Jose, Calif., rejected a stadium proposal on June 2. San Francisco has twice turned down stadium proposals and Santa Clara County rejected one in 1990.

Vincent has established stringent criteria for allowing franchise moves. His four primary points are: operating at a revenue loss, attendance problems, inadequate or out-of-date stadiums, and "a community which feels baseball is no longer important."

Asked if he believed the Giants met those criteria, Vincent said: "I believe they do."

But he cautioned that does not mean Lurie has automatic approval to move the team. "San Francisco has the power to look at those options, which is different from saying they have permission to relocate," Vincent said.

tic League. The name is the Albany Polecats. A polecat is a skunk. Mayor Tommy Coleman says he had tried to get team owner Rick Holtzman to change the name. "I told people we were dealing with a Yankee who had never run over a polecat on a country road," Coleman says. "The name definitely is unique. I just hope people realize we don't have any more skunks around here than anywhere else."

TV HIGHLIGHTS

Baseball: Pittsburgh at New York, ESPN, 5:30 p.m.

Baseball: San Diego at Atlanta, TBS, 5:30 p.m.

Baseball: Chicago at Minnesota, WGN, 6 p.m.

Basketball: Chicago at Portland, Ch. 2, 7 p.m.

Baseball: Kansas City at California, ESPN, 8:30 p.m.

Baseball: Texas at Oakland, Ch. 30, 8:30 p.m.

Heber Valley To Host Bull-o-rama



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If you like bulls, big, brawny, wild and dangerous bulls, you'll love Saturday night, July 11 as Heber Valley hosts the first bull and man matching event of the year. Bull-o-rama with its talented bullriders and bullfighters will challenge 2,000 lbs. of bull after bull this particular night.

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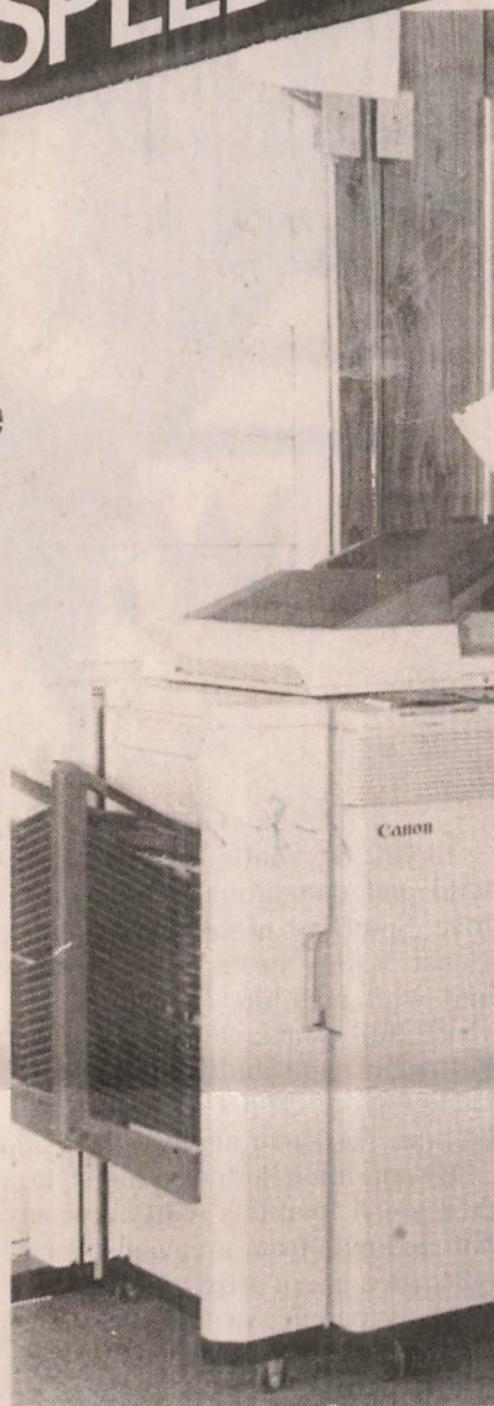
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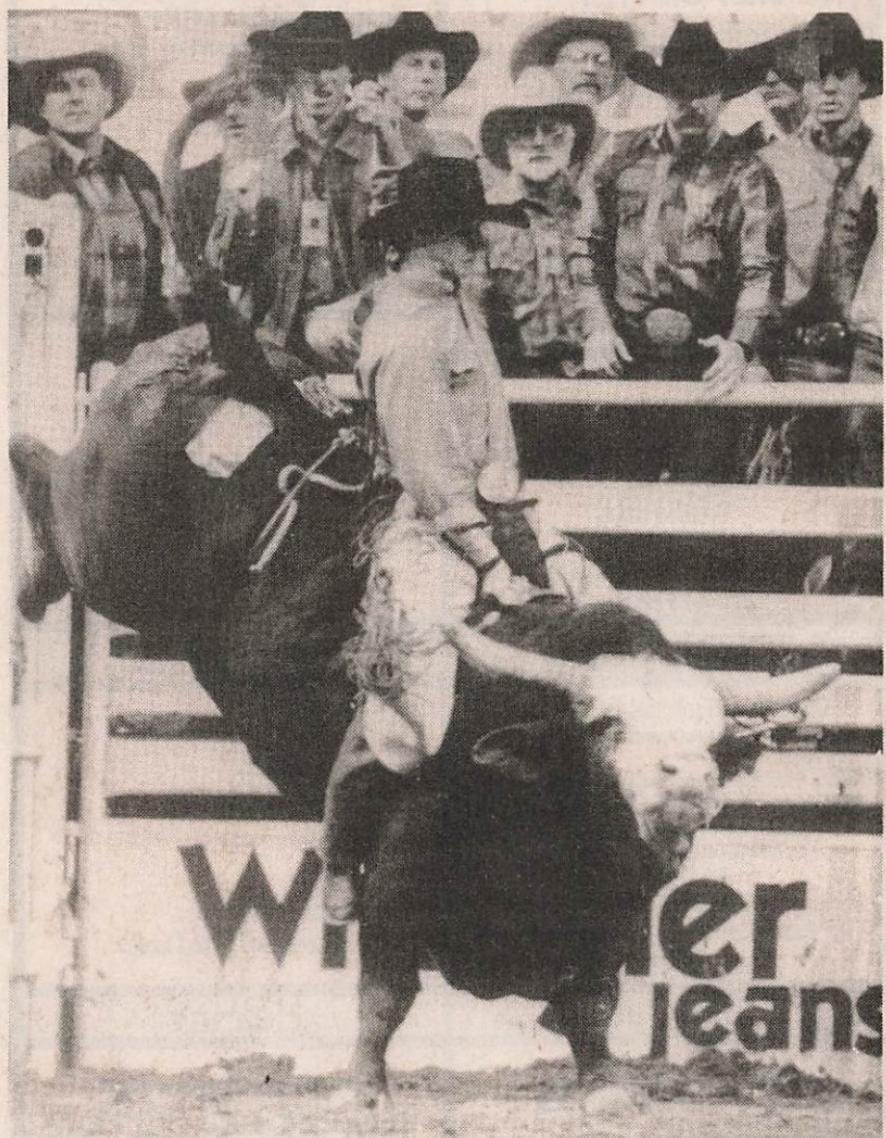
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Local Cowboy To Compete in Fallon Rodeo on July 4



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Nick Provost qualified for Utah state competition all four of his high school years. Earning plaques, oats, halters, bags, spurs, at least 5 buckles, and "Rookie of The Year" (freshman) at Wasatch Rodeo Club.

Throughout his career of high school rodeo, he was able to compete in the finals the last two years.

As a Junior, Nick qualified for the Silver State International Rodeo in Fallon, NV. One of the second

four winners from high school state finals, Nick placed Cow Cutting Overall Reserve Champion.

Last March saw Nick win the "series" buckle in St. George, taking three out of four firsts.

Finishing spring season with two firsts in North Summit and South Summit rodeos, Nick has spent many hours in the past five years working and training his cutting horse "Sweet Country Run".

July 4, will find him competing

at Fallon once again in the cow cutting competition as a high school senior.

1991-92 season brought 10 first's, three seconds, and two thirds. Having done well in several cutting associations, Nick will continue riding and training in these areas. Provost says he will miss the competition, but hopes to continue in other areas of riding and training.

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Wheatley. "He controlled the tempo of the game for us and was really the key to our game."

Ted missed a couple of games due to injuries and his absence was obvious. The lone region loss suffered by the Wasps this year came during Ted's absence at the Lehi game. Wasatch also lost to Morgan while Ted was injured.

"Ted was not a big scorer for us (he scored only three goals and was credited with three assists) but that was not his job," said Coach Wheatley. "He was there to control the field and he was the best at that. The nature of the midfielder's position makes him play both offense and defense. Ted was very good at keeping the ball forward and in an attacking position. Since the All State team is chosen by the coaches, it is obvious that those coaches we played against shared our enthusiasm for Ted's performance."

Jonathan Burton was named to the second team as a forward on the Deseret News and the Salt Lake Tribune All State Teams.

Jon, the son of Doctor Neal and Linda Burton, was the second leading scorer for Wasatch this season. He scored nine goals and had five assists. Jon was noted for his agility and foot skills in handling the ball. It was his breakaway goal against Lehi that clinched the region championship for Wasatch as he broke a 2-2 tie with his outstanding play.

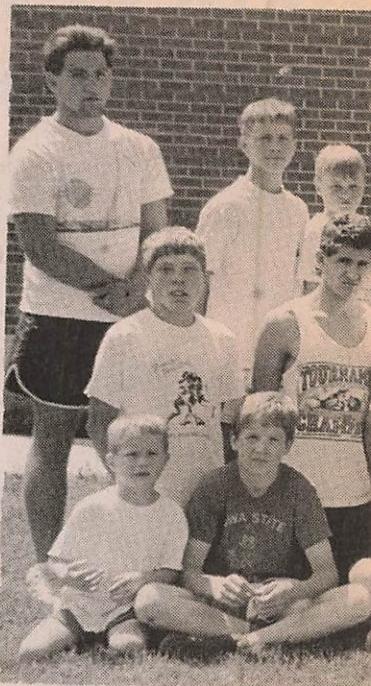
Jon faces an obstacle in every athletic event he participates in. He has been suffering from arthritis for the past several years and is in

pain constantly. But one of the reasons that Jon was selected for the All State honor was his strength of character that enables him to get the job done in spite of obstacles. Jon has done all that he can do in spite of the constant pain of the arthritis.

The third member of the Wasps who was recognized for his play was sophomore Kasey Jarvis. Kasey, the son of Kelly and Ruth Jarvis, was named to the second team All State team in the Tribune as a goalie. Kasey was converted from a forward to the goalie spot this year and the change was a difficult one. Casey struggled for the first few games but after he shut out Payson in game three, he never again allowed more than two goals in a game. "Kasey is a natural goalie," said Coach Wheatley. "He worked very hard to become as good as he could and it paid off."

The selection of three members of Wasatch's team for All State honors was somewhat of a surprise. The Wasp team is still in a building phase but they have made great strides. "We had other players who contributed significantly to the team," said Coach Wheatley, "but because we are new to the ranks of the soccer teams, we feel great to have place three of our players among the elite."

Next year Wasatch will have to do a lot of rebuilding as they lost several starters to graduation, but returning two all state athletes to the team will do a lot to form a foundation for continued success.



Thanks to Joel VanLeeuwen, Midway's "Inn On The Creek", an Wasatch Counties TRT Committee as they made it possible for the Wasatch Wrestlers to have had the privilege of hosting two of the United States finest college wrestlers. The camp was held for the young men preparing for the the upcoming national wrestling competitions.

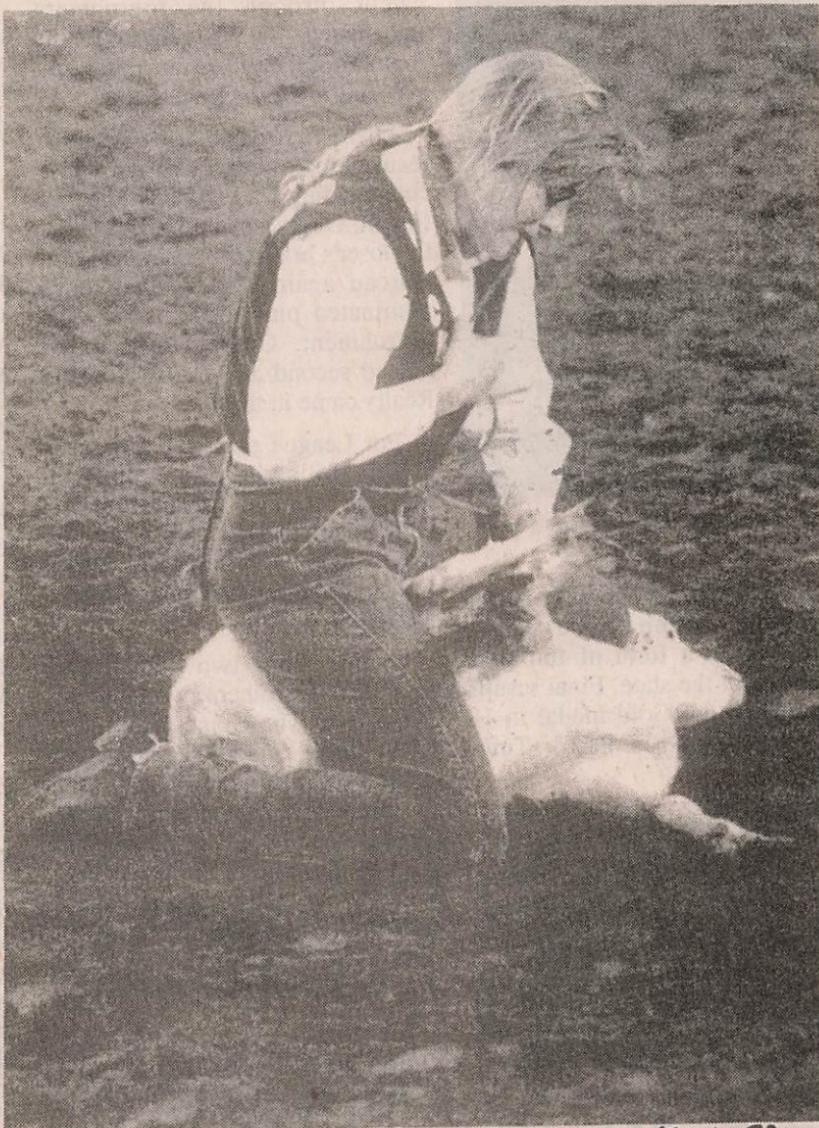
The clinicians both wrestle for Arizona State University, a perennial Collegiate power.

ASU is coached by Bobby Douglas, the 1992 U.S. Olympic Wrestling coach. The clinicians were Marco Sanchez and Shawn

1992 Miss Rodeo Applications Available

Applications for the 1992 Miss

Heber City Girl Participates in National Rodeo Finals



Nichole Dansie, a Ricks College freshman from Heber City, placed eighth in goat tying after two rounds at the National Rodeo Finals in Bozeman, MT, June 14-20.

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Miss Dansie did not compete in the final round for religious reasons because the competition was scheduled on Sunday.

More than 100 colleges and universities from 11 different regions participated in the competition. Dansie competed against 60 other competitors in her category. She was the only Ricks College student to qualify for Nationals.

The daughter of Charles and Carol Dansie, she is a 1991 graduate of Wasatch High School, where she was active in the school's rodeo



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The pre-season tourney was held to determine the strength of the various teams in the League. The Farm Bureau squad started off where they ended up last season as they swept through the tournament undefeated. The big games were the match-ups between the Farm Bureau and Geary's Construction.

In the first game, the Farm Bureau jumped out quickly to take a commanding lead and held the ball to win. Geary's came back through the loser's bracket to meet the Farm Bureau again. The Bureau boys dominated play again to win the tournament. Geary Construction placed second and Davis Brothers Realty came in third.

For League play, the pattern is closely following the pre-season tournament. The Farm Bureau is undefeated to date and leads the league with a 6-0 record. Geary Construction is close behind with a 5-1 record.

Games from two weeks ago found Davis Brothers sweeping two games over The Homestead and J. T. Welding. Larson's Painting lost to Geary Construction and played an impressive game against the Farm Bureau but ended up one run short in the bottom of the seventh inning. Geary Construction blasted Tatton's in their other game of the week. The Farm Bureau upended Tatton's as well to keep their record intact.

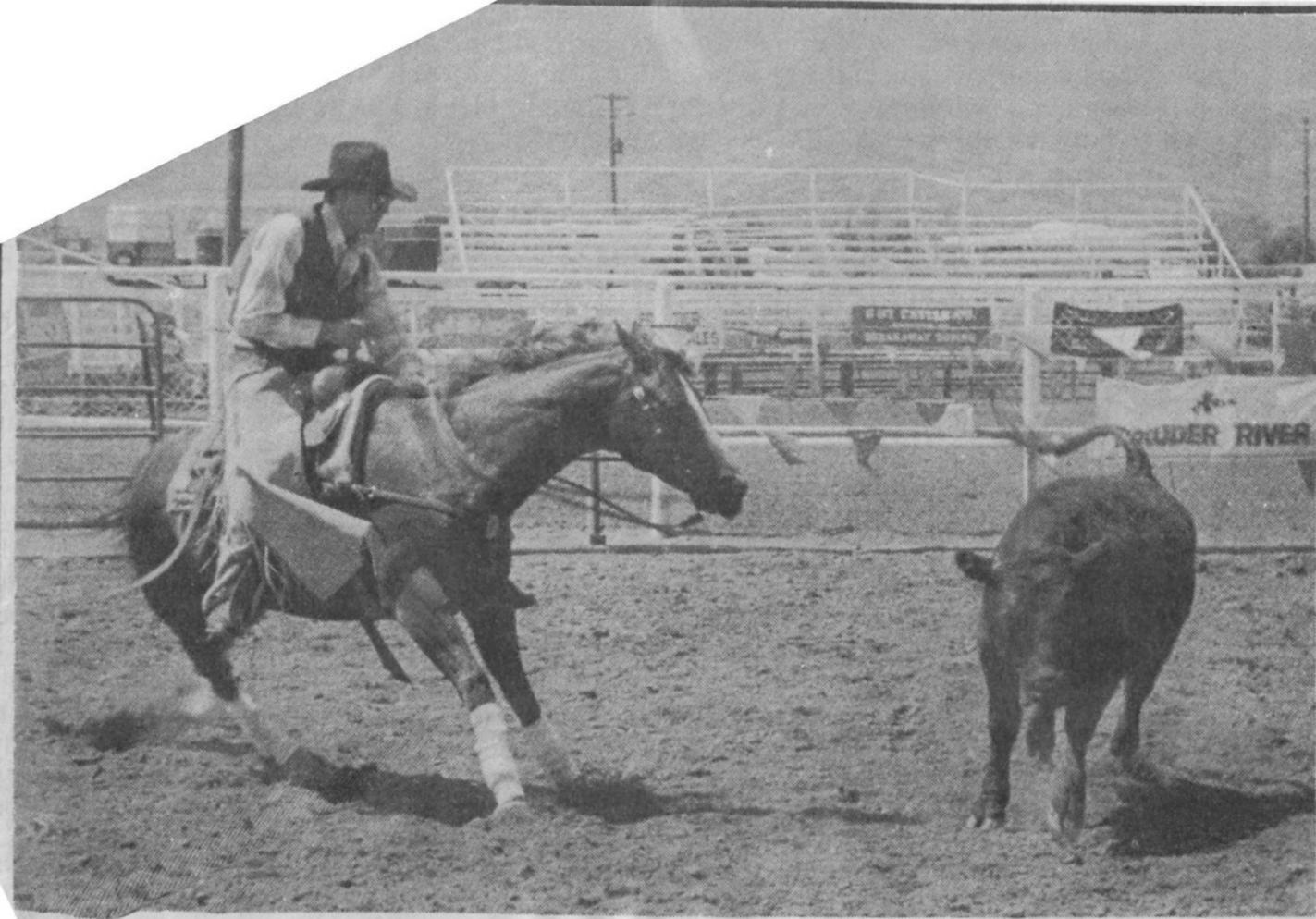
Last week's games found Davis Brothers dropping a 17-2 game to the Farm Bureau. Tatton's rebounded to win a thriller over The Homestead, 16-11. Larson's Painting and J. T. Welding played an exciting game that was eventually won by Larson's, 11-8.

League standings as of June 22 are as follows:

Marty Smith; 9, Advanced 15-Crystal Gines; 10, Advanced Intermediate 13-14 Erin Thacker; 11, Advanced Intermediate Christy Van Wagner; 12, Intermediate 9-10, Crystal Whiting; Advanced Intermediate 11-12, Holly Thacker; 11-Intermediate, Jayne Jones, and Advanced Intermediate, Deannaaiting. Also competing were Ad-

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Wasatch Rodeo Club Members Compete at Utah State Finals



Wasatch Rodeo Club is 32 members strong with 17 members qualifying for State Finals. Members qualifying for state are Raquel Sweat, Kacy Knight, Terri Jaques, Denni McKenzie, Robbi Ryan, Chet Young, Jeff Thompson, Jamie Sweat, Tony Callister, Cody Bether, Ben Dansie, Jason Bingerelli, Justin Davis, Greg McPhie, Nick Provost, Charlie Dansie, and Stephens.

Teen members
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the year-end awards. Awards are given in each event, plus all-around cowboy and cowgirl, and Rookie of The Year. For each rodeo they enter, they are given so many points, and for each time that they place, they are given another point. They are also given points if they qualify for state and how far they go in state.

Members have to keep the grade point of 2.0 through the school year. If they do not, they will not be allowed to participate in a rodeo.

This is a nationwide rule and is observed by every club in the state. With 31 clubs, and over 450 members state wide, Utah has the most members nationwide, and will be well represented at the Nationals in Shawnee, OK.

Park Campfire Program

On Friday, June 19, Utah Wildlife Rehabilitation will be at the park's visitor center at 7 p.m. Utah Wildlife Rehabilitation is a non-profit organization that takes in and cares for injured or abandoned wildlife. There will be live animals for people to see that have been rehabilitated in this program.

On Saturday, June 20, Phil Douglass, from Utah Wildlife Resources, will conduct a program on bird sounds at 7:30 p.m. in the

amphitheater located inside the campground. Phil will identify a variety of bird sounds that you may hear when you are outside. He will also demonstrate the art of making some bird sounds.

These programs should be very entertaining for all members of the family. They are free but may be canceled if the weather is bad. For more information, call Wasatch Mountain State Park at 654-1791 or 654-3961.

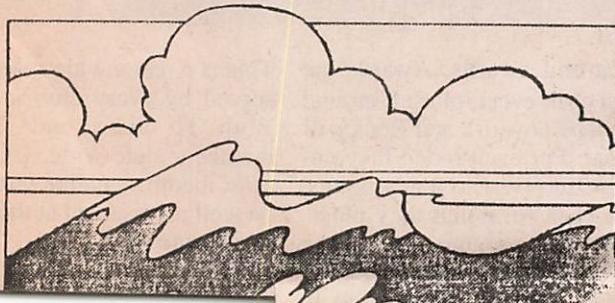
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we can do something about, attention they need if they're going to do it, don't know why they don't, and try just be sweating small stuff.

But we do think part of the explanation is that most of our local problems and issues are not serious, compared to what's happening in other states. So it's easy to just coast along rather than try to help solve or improve things.

For instance, in Wasatch County we have serious drug and alcohol problems. People fear getting caught in the crossfire between law enforcement and drug dealers. We have some poor people, and an occasional person shows up, but our kids don't have beds without having to avoid people because they don't have beds. We have a somewhat costly, problem with hit and run, and generally don't stop windows they break. Most of our problems are within families and between people who are friends, and doesn't spill out onto the streets where people can see it and feel threatened by it.

Just because life and property are safer here than in Chicago or New York City, doesn't mean the problems we do have. The abuse of teenagers in Wasatch County needs to be solved their dilemmas every bit as well as their counterparts in San Francisco.

In our opinion, some important